GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3017
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RAIL ACCIDENT IN A.P.
Nahata Smt. P. Jaya Prada

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Commissioner of Railway Safety has since completed an inquiry into the Delta Fast Passenger tragedy in which more than hundred passengers have met with a watery grave recently in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of its findings thereof;

(c) the action taken by the Railways on the recommendations of the report; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the inquiry into the said accident is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI J.RATHWA)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The Commissioner of Railway Safety, South Central Circle, who conducted statutory inquiry into this accident, has concluded in his final inquiry report that this accident occurred due to the train running on a portion of track, in hanging condition, flooded and damaged by breach of bund of Rama Samudram Tank of Golnepalli Village, leading to sudden heading up of water, flowing over the railway formation with intense velocity, scouring the river bed under the bridge and causing its settlement, and breach of adjoining formation due to abnormal heavy rainfall in the area. The Final Inquiry Report has been received on 4th May, 2006 and is being processed for examination of other details and recommendations.

(d): Does not arise.